



Prolapse themed edition

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The *International Urogynecology Journal* publishes more pelvic organ prolapse manuscripts than any other journal. We are the go-to publication for up-to-date information on prolapse epidemiology, diagnosis and treatment. As part of the IUJ's strategic initiative this past year, we have been publishing themed editions for our readers. These themed editions focus on topics of importance to the practicing urogynecologist so that current literature on a given subject is published in a single edition. What better to constitute a themed edition than prolapse, the cornerstone of our specialty!

In this issue, we present two review articles including a meta-analysis of the role of a positive family history on the risk of developing pelvic organ prolapse (REF) as well as the effectiveness of surgical procedures to prevent post-hysterectomy prolapse (REF). Original research ranges from a randomized trial comparing the efficacy of permanent to absorbable suture in uterosacral ligament suspensions (REF) to the role of GH in the amount of bother women experience from prolapse (REF). As always, our journal represents prolapse across the globe including, in this edition, an article about the effect of a prolapse training program in Bangladesh and Nepal on prolapse outcomes. (REF).

I hope that you have been enjoying the publication of our commentaries. In this issue, we have four commentaries that

summarize and comment on manuscript findings. Commentaries were initiated in our journal to help our readers reflect and navigate cutting edge research. If you are interested in making substantive contributions to our journal, reach out to us to join the commentary writing team!

As always, we include in this issue our video articles as well as Images in Urogynecology. These submissions give hands-on information and guidance on how to approach particular surgeries or rare clinical presentations. While we no longer accept case reports, we feel that these articles help inform our readers' approach to rare case presentations.

Like many other journals, this year the IUJ has had more submissions than ever before. We are grateful that so many authors have taken advantage of COVID-19 shutdowns to "dust off" research that has been sitting on the shelf and submit to our journal. Hopefully, the productivity will continue as we venture into the new year.

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